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"I Have Sinned"

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### Introduction:

1. Romans 3:23--"for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"
2. The fact of sin cannot be successfully denied.
3. Man is a sinner; when left to his own inventions.
4. 1 John 1:10--"If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us."
5. How often we need to recognize the need to confess our sin.
6. Only by acknowledging our sin can we receive forgiveness.  
1 John 1:9--"If we confess our sins, he is faithful....."
7. As we turn back through God's word, there are numerous examples of those who confessed their sin.  
*saw the weight of their sin and*

### BODY:

1. ACHAN SAID, "I HAVE SINNED."
  1. Joshua had destroyed Jericho; then attacked Ai.--Jos. 7:1-21
  2. Achan stole some devoted things--sinned.
  3. Israel then defeated.
  4. Achan revealed, confessed
2. JOB SAID, "IF I HAVE SINNED." (Job 7:20)
  1. Job afflicted by Satan, with God's permission.
  2. His friends accused him of sin.
  3. Righteous Job suffering, yet did not blame God.
  4. Job did not know his sin, but if it were his fault, he was willing to confess it.
3. SAUL SAID, "I HAVE SINNED." (1 Sam. 15:30)
  1. Saul, the first king of Israel.
  2. Sent by Samuel to destroy the Amalekites.
  3. Disobeyed Jehovah, kept best livestock, king Agag.
  4. Samuel condemned him of his sins
  5. Then Saul confessed, "I have sinned"
4. DAVID SAID, "I HAVE SINNED." (2 Sam. 12:13)
  1. David took Uriah's wife. *Bathsheba*
  2. Attempted to keep the sin a secret, had Uriah killed.
  3. Nathan condemned him. "Thou art the man" Took ~~Ewe~~ lamb.
  4. David confessed, "I have sinned."

### 5. PRODIGAL SON SAID, "I HAVE SINNED." (Luke 15:11-32)

1. Younger son asked for ~~this~~ portion, his inheritance.
2. Spent it in riotous living.
3. Found himself in the pig pen, hungered,
4. Came to himself and confessed, "I have sinned."

*No excuses*

*(1) Young  
(2) Saw wild oats  
etc.*

### 6. JUDAS SAID, "I HAVE SINNED." (Matt. 27:3-5)

1. Judas, an apostle.
2. Betrayed Christ for thirty pieces of silver.
3. Returned them to chief priests.
4. Then confessed, "I have sinned."

### CONCLUSION:

1. Each of these show the need to recognize and acknowledge sin.
2. Until ~~man~~ realizes he is a sinner and lost, he will never obey God.
3. SIN WILL CONDEMN SOUL TO HELL, unless forgiven, removed.
4. God offers escape from this condemnation.
5. BUT EACH ONE MUST REPENT ~~of their~~ *SINS:*  
*Not enough to see your state as a sinner,  
BUT MUST meet God's requirement to  
have them forgiven.*

*Confess  
Christ*

*6. Since sin is committed against God, only  
He can forgive. & He has the perfect  
right to state the terms of forgiveness.*